

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0012] of the published application (ptpub.) with the following amended paragraph:

[0012] Fig. 1 illustrates an architecture in which a system and method for automatic conditioning of clinically related billing may operate, according to an embodiment of the invention. A “system,” or computer system, as utilized herein, refers to a configuration that includes all functional components of a computer and its associated hardware. A basic microcomputer system includes a console, or a system unit, within one or more disk drives, a monitor, and a keyboard. Additional hardware, called peripherals, can include such devices as a printer, a modem, and a mouse. As illustrated in that figure, in embodiments a clinical event 102 such as an examination, evaluation, surgery or other patient encounter or care may take place, for instance in a hospital, clinic or other site. Details of the clinical event 102 may be captured during or after the delivery of that care or attention and be transmitted to a clinical data store 104, which may be or include for example a database or other data store. The details of the clinical event 102 may include, for example, patient identifying information, insurance account or other information, patient charts, physicians orders, procedure codes, outcomes or other data associated with the clinical attention the patient receives or is scheduled to receive.